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USING BUDDED BACULOVIRUS

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Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2003, which set a three month shortened statutory period for response until March 2, 2004. Applicants hereby request an extension of time for one month to extend the period for response from March 2, 2004 to April 2, 2004, and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time for one month accompanied by the appropriate government fee. If for any reason the formal request for extension of time is not associated with the file at the Patent and Trademark Office and/or any fees are needed to maintain the pendency of this application, including any extension of time fees, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.